

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Wednesday 25 Oct 2023 until 23:59 on Thursday 26 Oct 2023

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 24 Oct 2023 at 16:31 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for unsettled and changeable conditions through the coming days. Lower for exact rain and wind details so stay up to date with the forecast.

Headline for Wednesday 25 Oct 2023: Low cloud and occasional rain. Cold and windy on the tops.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 25 Oct 2023

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Gales

No Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow

No Likelihood

Severe chill effect

Medium Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Poor visibility

High Likelihood

Strong sunlight

No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
		FOG	FOG	FOG	FOG	FOG	FOG
Cloudy	Cloudy	Fog	Fog	Fog	Fog	Fog	Fog
Precipitation probability							
30%	30%	60%	60%	60%	60%	80%	80%

Forecast for Wednesday 25 Oct 2023

Weather: Mainly dry with a little brightness over ranges the west of the A9 early in the morning. Otherwise, cloudy and misty with occasional light rain, falling as sleet or wet snow above 1100m.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: Less than 10% for most ranges. 40% overnight and early morning in west.

Low cloud and visibility: Very poor visibility for most of the day at height with extensive low cloud and fog above 500 or 600m. Cloud patchier and mainly above 700m at first over ranges west of the A9.

Forecast for Wednesday 25 Oct 2023

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	18/24 E	21/27 NE	23/31 NE	27/35 E	28/36 E	29/38 E	31/40 E	29/38 E	25/33 E
900	12/14 E	13/16 NE	18/22 NE	20/25 NE	21/27 E	21/27 E	25/31 E	24/32 E	20/26 E
600	4/6 E	5/7 NE	7/11 NE	12/16 NE	14/20 E	13/19 E	13/20 E	13/19 E	9/14 E
300	2/5 E	2/7 NE	3/11 NE	6/16 NE	8/18 E	8/18 E	8/19 E	7/17 E	5/13 NE
Glen	2/6 NE	2/7 NE	3/10 NE	4/13 NE	6/17 E	5/16 NE	4/15 NE	4/14 E	2/11 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-0/-6	0/-6	0/-6	0/-7	1/-6	1/-6	0/-7	-0/-8	-0/-8
900	2/-2	3/-2	3/-2	3/-2	4/-2	4/-2	3/-3	3/-3	2/-3
600	4/2	4/2	4/2	5/1	6/2	6/2	5/1	5/1	4/1
300	5/4	5/4	5/4	6/4	7/5	7/5	7/4	6/4	6/4
Glen	5/4	5/4	5/4	6/4	8/6	8/6	7/6	6/4	5/4
Freezing Level*	1500m	1400m	1500m	1500m	1500m	1600m	1600m	1500m	1400m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Feeling cold at height with a significant wind chill in the damp conditions along with difficult navigation conditions, especially over the Cairngorms.

Forecast for Thursday 26 Oct 2023

Weather: Mostly cloudy with further spells of rain, possibly heavy at times in the east but occasionally drier in the west. Sleet on the highest Munro tops in the morning.

Maximum wind: East or southeast 25mph gusts 35mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: Less than 10%.

Low cloud and visibility: Poor for most of the day with extensive low cloud and fog above 600 or 700m.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 7C rising to 10C.
At 800m: Plus 3C rising to 6C.
Freezing level: 1300m, rising well above summits.